

BY CONVENTION

THE DEMOCRATIC TICKET WILL BE NAMED JUNE 22.

Primaries will be held in Canton and Any One Who Wants to Be a Candidate For Delegate May Hand in His Name.

The Democratic county central committee met at East's hall Saturday at 11 o'clock. John M. Myers was in the chair. The chairman started to call the roll, but a proxy was offered by A. S. Van Buren, who presented committee member Al Sherick. This proxy question came up at once.

The chairman declined to recognize proxies. Dr. Williams of Alliance moved that proxies be accepted. Oliver Harrison of Alliance offered a resolution that all persons not committee members be excluded from the meeting. Stanton Howells of Massillon moved that the whole thing lay on the table. There was considerable discussion with reference to the matter. Dr. Williams' motion finally prevailed, and it was decided that proxies should be accepted but that no man should have more than one. Mr. Harrison then moved that all spectators be excluded. Mayor Rice, Charles R. Frazier and others objected. Mr. Meyer moved to table it. The matter was laid over. Stanton Howells offered a motion that a committee of three be appointed to frame resolutions.

Taren Meyer said he didn't want resolutions at the committee meeting.

Mr. Howells' motion was for the purpose of getting a vote as to the manner of selecting a ticket, and he so stated.

Mayor Rice said that the people had already decided that matter, and wanted primaries.

Mr. Harrison said the central committee had the power, as the call for the convention a year ago did not state whether that matter should be settled. He thought the question was not acted upon authoritatively, and that the province of the committee is to select the time and manner of selecting a ticket.

Chairman Myers stated that the action of the convention last year was not binding upon the committee.

J. B. Fierstos said the convention was representative.

Mr. Howells' motion to appoint a committee was lost by a vote of 27 to 35.

Samuel Burgess moved that hereafter all votes be by secret ballot. Mayor Rice wanted to know if committee members were afraid to vote yes or no on any question. Mr. Burgess' motion was defeated.

Dr. Williams moved that the ticket be nominated by primaries, as recommended by the county convention last year. The resolution adopted then was read.

Mr. Howells moved that Dr. Williams' motion be tabled indefinitely.

A vote was then taken on this motion and there were 35 votes to lay on the table and 34 against.

Mr. Howells moved that the ticket be nominated by a convention, the delegates to be elected at primaries, central committee to put on double the number to be voted for.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Harrison covering the subject matter of Mr. Howells' motion, and the latter withdrew it.

Turin Meyer wanted the committee members voted for at the same time. This was interlined in the resolution, and a few other changes made. The resolution was then offered as a whole. Mr. Meyer moved that each clause be taken up separately. A vote was taken as to whether the vote should be taken separately and it resulted as follows: ayes 40, yeas 30. The question then recurred on the adoption of the resolution as a whole.

The resolutions call for a county convention, Tuesday, June 22, one week before the state convention, the primaries or caucuses to be held Saturday June 19, between the hours of two and six p. m. Delegates to the state convention are to be selected at the county convention. Central committee members are to be elected by the primaries or caucuses. When the matter came up Turin Meyer offered to amend that caucuses be excluded. Mr. Meyer stated that he wanted it to be definite and that due notice be given, either in the newspapers or by posting notices. This brought forth considerable discussion. Mayor Rice wanted a clause inserted that where ten voters want to nominate the central committee shall nominate the ticket. The whole matter was finally settled by making it obligatory with committee members to hold primaries in Canton, on motion of Mayor Rice.

The resolution was then adopted. Mayor Rice stated that Chairman Myers refused to give a list of committee members. This was settled by Mayor Rice offering to furnish copies to all candidates, and Mr. Myers stating that he would furnish a certified, revised copy for that purpose.

After the resolution was adopted, a full text of which appears hereafter, the meeting adjourned with everybody in cordial mood and no serious manifest.

The Resolutions.

Resolved, First, That the Democratic nomination of candidates for Stark county offices be made by convention, said convention to be held in the city of Canton on Tuesday, June 22, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Resolved, Second, That each voting precinct be entitled to one delegate to said convention for every fifty votes or fraction over twenty-five cast for Wm. J. Bryan for president in 1896, said delegates to be elected by primaries or caucuses of which at least five days notice thereof shall be first given by publication or posters, except that in the city of Canton primaries shall be held, to be held Saturday, June 19, between the hours of 2 and 6 o'clock p. m.

Resolved, Third, That there be elected by the county convention twenty-three delegates to represent Stark county in

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Elsas frequently comes to the city and upon his visits usually trades watches, revolvers and various trinkets.

He was looking up bargains Saturday, which accounts for his having three watches and the unloaded revolver. The police will make an effort to locate the robbers, who, it is believed, reside in this city.

CATHERINE A. ESSIG.

Death of an Estimable Woman Who Resided in Plain Township For Many Years.

Catherine A. Essig died at her home in Plain township, four miles north of the city, Sunday morning at 6 o'clock. She had been ill but one week, with pneumonia. Mrs. Essig was 37 years of age. Her husband preceded her to the grave just seven weeks ago. She had lived in Plain township all her married life, and she was known throughout the community in which she lived as a kind, hearted, christian woman, whose death will be a great loss to her many friends. Three children survive. They are, Mrs. William Wise of Oval City, Mrs. Elsworth Sluss of Louisville, and Robert Essig, who resides at the homestead.

The funeral services will be held at the late residence, Wednesday morning, at 9 o'clock, and at Warfield at 10 o'clock. Interment in Warfield cemetery.

Prohibition County Convention.

The Prohibitionists of Stark county will hold their county convention in the city hall in Canton on Saturday, June 19, 1897. The preliminary meeting will begin at 10 o'clock a. m. and adjourn at 11:30, and reassemble at 1 o'clock to complete the work of the convention, and at 2 o'clock Rev. Lewis Albert Banks, the eloquent and fearless pastor of the First M. E. Church of Cleveland, will address the convention and citizens in general on the great questions of the day. The nomination of a county ticket and other important work will be attended to at that time. All who feel that the saloon should be put out of politics are invited to meet with us. No difference what your former political affiliations have been, if from this time forward you will oppose by votes and ballot the further legalization of the liquor traffic, you are heartily invited to meet with us.

John Danner, Chairman.

D. W. Walters, Secretary.

Probate Court.

Estate of John H. Ogden of Massillon, final account filed.

Estate of Matthew Laughlin of Alliance, time extended six months for final settlement.

Estate of Hannah Sell of Plain township, will filed for probate.

Estate of Adam Rodacker, Tuscarawas township, final account filed.

Estate of Jacob Hoppes of Washington township, will filed for probate.

Estate of Herman Marks of Massillon, motion for examination of executor continued until June 5.

Estate of Harrison E. Judd of Alliance, George H. Judd appointed administrator.

Estate of Anthony Welch of Perry township, petition for sale of real estate, filed and publication of notice to unknown defendants ordered.

Assignment of L. D. Wallace of Washington township, inventory and appraisal filed and public sale of personal property ordered.

When a person is losing flesh and wasting away there is cause for alarm. Nothing so worries a physician. Consumptives would never die if they could regain their usual weight. In fact there would be no consumption if there would be no wasting of the system. The cause of this loss of flesh is a failure to properly digest the food eaten. Nine-tenths of all our diseases date back to some derangement of the stomach.

The Shaker Digestive Cordial will stop this wasting of the body. It acts by causing the food we eat to be digested as to do good, for undigested food does more harm than good. The Cordial contains food already digested and is a digester of foods as well.

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